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1. EMBASSY RECOMMENDS ADVANCE OFFICER BERT LINDOW FOLLOW EXACT ITINERARY OF SUBJECT MISSION. THIS WILL ENABLE HIM TO OBSERVE ANY UNFORESEEN LOGISTIC PROBLEMS AND MAKE WHATEVER ADJUSTMENTS NECESSARY BEFORE MISSION VISIT. TRIP SCHEDULE HE PROPOSES WOULD HAVE HIM ARRIVE IN CARACAS LAST, ALTHOUGH THIS IS FIRST SCHEDULED STOP OF MISSION. AS NOW SCHEDULED, LINDOW WILL ARRIVE IN CARACAS ONLY SEVEN WORKING DAYS BEFORE MISSION. BY FOLLOWING MISSION ITINERARY, EACH SCHEDULED POST WOULD HAVE EQUAL ADVANCE TIME BEFORE ARRIVAL OF MISSION.

2. SHIPMENT OF MISSION BROCHURES TO CARACAS FROM BOGOTA TWO WEEKS PRIOR TO MISSION ARRIVAL WILL ALLOW NO OPPORTUNITY FOR MAILING TO PROSPECTIVE VENEZUELAN BUYERS. WE HAVE COMMENTED IN FOLLOWUP REPORT ON PRINTING AND GRAPHIC ARTS TRADE MISSION (CARACAS A-465) THAT BROCHURES AND CATALOGS MUST ARRIVE AT LEAST ONE MONTH IN ADVANCE OF MISSION TO BE EFFECTIVELY DISTRIBUTED. THUS, BROCHURES FOR SUBJECT MISSION CAN ONLY BE UTILIZED AS HANDOUTS AT TIME OF MISSION VISIT. THERE WOULD BE TIME TO ARRANGE MESSENGER DELIVERY OF BROCHURES TO

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SOME FIRMS IN CARACAS DURINGWEEK PRIOR TO MISSION ARRIVAL, IF THERE

IS NO DELAY IN ARRIVAL OF BROCHURES FROM BOGOTA. COST FOR MESSENGER DELIVERY IS 46 CENTS PER ENVELOPE.

3. AUTHORIZATION IS REQUESTED TO HIRE TEMPORARY EMPLOYEE FOR TWO WEEK PERIOD PRIOR TO MISSION ARRIVAL AND ONE WEEK WHILE MISSION IN CARACAS. IF REPRESENTATION FUNCTION DESIRED, WE NEED TO KNOW AMOUNT OF MISSION FUNDS THAT WILL BE ALLOCATED TO CARACAS FOR THIS PURPOSE.

4. RESERVATIONS CONFIRMED AT HOTEL TAMANACO FOR LATE EVENING ARRIVAL JUNE 1 THROUGH JUNE 4. THIRTEEN LEAST EXPENSIVE SINGLE ROOMS AT ONE HUNDRED BOLIVARS (APPROX D23) EACH PER DAY, AND ONE JUNIOR SUITE AT ONE HUNDRED AND NINETY BOLIVARS (APPROX \$44) PER DAY. IF BIC REQUIRED HOTEL WILL PROVIDE SUITABLE ROOM FREE.
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